SUFFRAGE LEADERS WHO ARE FAMOUS AS HOUSEKEEPERS

Mrs. Catt, Mrs. Laidlaw and Others Find Public Life and Home Making Do Not Clash

> By FLORENCE YOUNG. ID you ever trail a man who is afraid of woman suffrage

to the source of his own fear? I did. I trailed him all around the house—from parlor to kitchen. In the parlor he murmured pleasing platitudes about woman being an angel, man's guiding star, his source of inspiration, his main hope of heaven. In the kitchen he brought up ruefully before the range and pointed to it with a dramatic gesture. "If women get to voting who'll keep house? We've to eat," he cried, and with that his real heart's concern was laid bare.

Nothing seems so to have reassured the men voters "up State" as tasting Jane Thompson's cake. Jane Thompson is a young woman voter from Chicago who is working for the Empire State campaign committee in Rochester and other cities. Somebody in one of her audiences once told her he "bet she couldn't make biscuit." It gave her a clue to his heart's concern about suffrage. She wondered if there weren't other men in her audience who needed reassuring as to a suffra-gist's capacity to make biscuit. Since hen she has been giving cooking exhibitions wherever she goes to prove that a suffragist can cook.

The truth is they go together, woman suffrage and housekeeping ability. I am familiar with the homes of the women voters of the West and I know. And working for the vote, which takes up a great deal more time than actual voting, also goes with mong our suffragists had reputations as housekeepers. It was interesting to see how the housekeeper's reputation lined up to match the suffragist

For instance, there is Mrs. Catt. Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt, suffra- ing and French." gist, organizer of women of many nations, is known all over the globe, but Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt, housekeeper, is known to only an intimate circle, and it is something of a revela-

"that a good many of our suffrage campaigns have been financed by cook- edied." The campaign in the State of Washington, for one. At least a of your suffrage work?" dozen good cookbooks have been brought out with a suffrage imprint. affairs interfere with the time I give Suffragists are notably good cooks and good housekeepers, and they look to the vocation they know best as most likely to help them turn a penny for suffrage."

believed in training their daughters to cook and sweep and sew. I learned It all at home. Later I took a course in domestic science. I have a diploma tifies to that, and I am proud of that

famous for her lemon jelly cake."

And then Mrs. Catt gave a word martyrs. of explanation as to how she manages and all the things she does outside of

with me until they marry. As each

new servant becomes a member of my duties; certain things are done on cer-



Mrs. James Lees Laidlaw.

run; I couldn't stand to live in one of those topsyturvy homes; I can't stand dirt and disorder.

"But I feel that a well trained cook knows how to cook better than I do and a well trained chambermaid knows how to sweep better than I do, housekeeping ability. To put the mat-ter to the test locally I made some which they do the work as long as the work itself is satisfactory. I suppose it is fortunate that I have a knack for nanagement because when I went to housekeeping I had not had the solld sensible background that Mrs. Catt had had in her housekeeping training. My major training had been in danc-

"Have you had trouble with the ser-vant problem?" began the interviewer. "Not a bit," broke in Mrs. Whitehouse blithely. "I never have trouble with servants, and I employ both men tion when this foremost leader of women grows confidential over her faworke recipes among a group of inti- them take more pride in their work. mates, as she did one day when I was My servants know how I want my privileged to hear her. The talk had house run, and they vie with each turned upon the new cookbook is- other in getting the right results. sued by the Pennsylvania Woman Suf- When I correct a servant I never make frage Association. it a personal matter. I suggest that "Do you know," began Mrs. Catt, this thing or that thing needs attention, and the fault is quickly rem-

"Your little daughter is not jealous "No. I have never let my suffrage

my little girl. I take my child as an embryo person and do not try to force embryo person and do not try to force my individuality too much upon her.

As far as possible I permit her to work out her problems in her own way. Matters relating to her comfort way. Matters relating to her comfort. for suffrage."

"Do you like to keep house, Mrs.

"And I have kept house constantly for about thirty years, with the exception of the two years, I spent in going around the years I spent in going around the constant in the mount of the constant in the mount of the chauffeur. I thought it was too long and should be cut. But my daughter the outside work.

Work out her problems in her own way. Matters relating to her comfort and pleasure she usually decides for hide ourselves in a tent in the mountains. We take no servants, not even the chauffeur. Louise and I do all the housework and Mr. Laidlaw does their domestic work. Only the other day I had an appointment to speak on the East Side the housework and Mr. Laidlaw does the hour; it didn't suit me very well, but of course I went: and I found that years, with the exception of the two parts of the standard should be cut. But my daughter didn't want it cut, and her reason was that it was her hair. 'But,' suggested tive except that the ice box is thormore, housekeepers had given their

Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt. said Mrs. Whitehouse, "please don't living outdoors-building up for the

And even as a bride, it seems, she fair. But, suggested find the was ner hair. But, suggested find not have to victimize her have to be developed as the find one suffragist house daughter immediately took exception how rough my living conditions are I to the top floor of a six story building tainly should be able to find some leisusing it. I don't believe, for includent their lunch and had a little stance, that a housekeeper should ask to the remark. I am my own little with the too devote a little output of the find one suffragist house daughter immediately took exception how rough my living conditions are I two except that the ice box is thory output her wants?" asked the interviewer, deight and who do their own laundry work, said who do their own laundry work. Seveng and cooking. Now if these to the top floor of a six story building tainly should be able to find some leisusing it. I don't believe in using it. I don't believe the ment housekeepers had given their to the top floor of a six story building tainly should be able to find some leisusing it. I don't believe the ment housekeepers had given their unch and had a little stance, that a housekeeper should ask to the top floor of a six story building tainly should be able to find some leisusing it. I don't believe the ment housekeepers had given their unch and had a little stance, that a housekeeper should ask to the top floor of a six story building tainly should be able to find some leisusing it. I don't believe the ment housekeepers had given their takes the

think because I don't attend to the winter's work. This summer we haven't details of housekeeping that I am been able to go, for the first time in a shiftless kind of person. I check years, on account of the coming elecup my bills regularly every month tion. I have been so busy that I simand I do try to make my husband and ply couldn't get away. However, I child comfortable. I think Mr. White- shouldn't complain. Every suffragist house would be glad to find something is making sacrifices in this crucial wrong about the house occasionally time. My little daughter, however, is just for the chance to tease me by terribly disappointed. She loves the

Mrs. James Lees Laidlaw has kept house ever since she was married.

"The only change I make is to move from one home into another. I have the same of the control of the co from one home into another. I have will have idle time on her hands in this three homes and the one I am fond- day of simplified housekeeping. Even

charging it up to suffrage, but I see that he doesn't get the opportunity."

"A woman needs outside interests if

Photo by Sarony. Mrs. Raymond Brown.

"But to return to housekeeping," of our mountain, berry picking and who often have to carry up their water keepers in better circumstances cer- problem for the housekeeper who can trained to order once a day, and only

Even Hunt for a Servant Problem Among Them Proves Futile... One Husband Tells His Experience

once. If something is forgotten one of the servants is sent for it or we go without. All these extra trips that careless housekeepers demand of their tradespeople mean the extra cost of service added on their bills; the more errand boys a store has to keep, the more telephone calls it has to make, the higher it has to charge for its

"Don't you find suffragists generally very domestic?"

"Domestic! Why I just wish you could hear the conversation that sometimes goes on at Woman Suffrage party headquarters; it's all about jam and preserves and cakes, And I want you to see how we suffragists carry our housekeeping instincts into our suffrage work," said Mrs. Laidlaw, "Look at those shelves, see how neatly catalogued they are. and I want to show you our linea closet, only instead of being full of linen it's full of pamphlets. And here"—pulling out a drawer—"we have every voter in New York tabulated. We can tell you in a minute whether he is for suffrage or against it, or neutral. We are just as methodical and careful in our suffrage work as we are in our housekeeping. Did you have luncheon downstairs? Wasn't it a good luncheon for 25

The interviewer acknowledged it was afford sufficient servants to permit of She didn't quite see how the sufheir specializing in their work. The servant problem is in the home where fragists did it.

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Mrs. Norman de R. White-

house.

any trouble with my servants."

to get the best for her table?"

from their shops."

phone?

there is only one servant, who is cook and laundress, chambermaid and wait- cheerful and homelike? You see, sufress. But where the cook does only fragists don't dissociate suffrage and the cooking, the chambermaid only the housekeeping. They link them up chamber work, the butler only the together. We have a big business serving, the work is not hard; their organization here, but it is run like living conditions are comfortable and a home."

their wages good. I have never had Mrs. Raymond Brown, president of the New York State Woman Suffrage "Do you consider it necessary for a Association, looks upon housekeeping nousekeeper to do her own marketing as a business. Mrs. Brown has kept house for twenty-one years, summer "I certainly do not. I am glad you and winter, and takes a great deal of pride in her housekeeping."

asked me that question, because it brings up a subject about which I have something to say. In this day of telephones, errand boys and high of telephones, errand boys and high class markets it is absurd for a busy woman to take an hour or more of her time every day picking over food. It is the butcher's business to send the housekeeper the kind of meat she orders; it is the grocer's business to send the kind of groceries ordered, the fruiterer's business to pick out the perfect ing. They refuse to eat anything that fruit. Het my butcher and my grocer is not made at home. All the cakes understand that I hold them responsible for the quality of all food sent to our own kitchen. In the part of the If it isn't a certain quality it goes | West where I came from all the girs ack. | knew how to cook. I was a good cook | When I am home I personally over-before I was married."

look the meat and fruit and the vegetables; if I am not at home the cook does. I make a point of engaging cooks who have a very keen sense of smell and who can detect at once if anything is wrong with the food. I

have had to make some changes in my vants may be they need a head. I be tradespeople, but I consider it every lieve in the personal touch in a home housekeeper's duty to hold tradespeople responsible for the food sent out to my help. I always plan my own menus and arrange my decorations "You believe, then, in using the tele- When I entertain I personally super vise my table."

"Do you have trouble keeping ser-"I believe in using it, but not in vants?" asked the interviewer, deterkeeper who had been "up against" the

"I do not," said Mrs. Brown em-

their servants. Suffragists are anny of a whole sex, the sex to which! The brokers and brokers' clerks in lish militants upon our British fellow! There is another suggestive line of running my house, but I never lay

for it on my return as she d

"There is this, however, about a kind, vital interest in eve that is going on in the world-

ADVENTURES OF ONE MAN INSTUMPING FOR SUFFRAGE work. They don't make a business of house-

The suffragists may approval from his audience.

and all the things she does outside of the home too. "It's all in system, an academic question, not an inspiral personality. It may interest the mind a word country and the average man, but it is not like a word as state constitutional amends ment on November 2. The young men, as suffragist, organizer of wears, as suffragist, organizer of wears, organizer of wears, organizer of wears, or the middle aged and elderly voters.

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certain day, the laundry is done on must undergo. That they also serve who Monday-because my grandmother al- only stand and wait is an assurance

with be among his acquaintances those who dub him a Benedict Arnold. Every great cause, of course, demands its martyrs.

Not the least heroic among the advocate of woman suffrage who are made to suffer for their beliefs is he who courageously stands forth upon.

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"And don't forget your prune souf"Be," chimed in one of the inmates of the little group. "And she is also the little gr

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It is not the purpose of this article to present the facts, figures and statistics, derived largely from States in don't always have as much which woman suffrage has been tried. upon which the suffrage speaker must am I always prepared to talk to an open minded male voter who is

group, but rather a selected portion of favor of the suffrage amendment is times when the promptings pointed homes do not run themselves and I insisted that she too must have and I insisted that she too must have an even greater burden to bear. If that this amount will be greatly into in this State to throw light upon the director of the Juvenile Court of Chipper and some and I insisted that she too must have an even greater burden to bear. If that this amount will be greatly into in this State to throw light upon the dinner and snore, when you darkness that afflicts the minds of so to subdue that inclination at transit the large sheets of stamps are cago, is convinced that recent reports the Binet-Simon tests when applied to "I employ the political speeches at the height of a Corders for stamps are always sent to all stitched together and stapled on of the proportion of feeble minded children, over ten years of age. She many thoroughly conscientious men and look bright eyed and the proportion of feeble minded children, over ten years of age. She many thoroughly conscientious men and look bright eyed and the proportion of feeble minded children. most efficient help and then I put the hot Presidential campaign you have the Third Assistant Postmaster-Gender and then I put the hot Presidential campaign you have the Third Assistant Postmaster-Gender and the I put the hot Presidential campaign you have the Third Assistant Postmaster-Gender and the I put the hot Presidential campaign you have the Third Assistant Postmaster-Gender and the I put the hot Presidential campaign you have the Third Assistant Postmaster-Gender and the I put the hot Presidential campaign you have the Third Assistant Postmaster-Gender and the I put the hot Presidential campaign you have the Third Assistant Postmaster-Gender and the I put the hot Presidential campaign you have the Third Assistant Postmaster-Gender and the I put the hot Presidential campaign you have the Third Assistant Postmaster-Gender and the I put the hot Presidential campaign you have the Third Assistant Postmaster-Gender and the I put the hot Presidential campaign you have the I put the hot Presidential campaign you have the I put the hot Presidential campaign you have the I put the hot Presidential campaign you have the I put the hot Presidential campaign you have the I put the hot Presidential campaign you have the I put the hot Presidential campaign you have the I put the hot Presidential campaign you have the I put the hot Presidential campaign you have the I put the hot Presidential campaign you have the I put the hot Presidential campaign you have the I put the hot Presidential campaign you have the I put the hot Presidential campaign you have the I put the hot Presidential campaign you have the I put the hot Presidential campaign you have the I put the hot Presidential campaign you have the I put the hot Presidential campaign you have the I put the hot Presidential campaign you have the I put the hot Presidential campaign you have the put the hot Presidential campaign responsibility of running the house learned how stimulating to a speaker eral. In his office they are assembled, molest a single stamp without detection home learned how stimulating to a speaker eral. In his office they are assembled, boys and girls in the detention home learned how stimulating to a speaker eral. In his office they are assembled, boys and girls in the detention home learned how stimulating to a speaker eral. In his office they are assembled, boys and girls in the detention home learned how stimulating to a speaker eral. In his office they are assembled, boys and girls in the detention home learned how stimulating to a speaker eral. In his office they are assembled, boys and girls in the detention home learned how stimulating to a speaker eral. In his office they are assembled, boys and girls in the detention home learned how stimulating to a speaker eral. In his office they are assembled, boys and girls in the detention home learned how stimulating to a speaker eral. In his office they are assembled, boys and girls in the detention home learned how stimulating to a speaker eral. In his office they are assembled, boys and girls in the detention home learned how stimulating to a speaker eral. In his office they are assembled, boys and girls in the detention home learned how stimulating to a speaker eral. In his office they are assembled, boys and girls in the detention home learned how stimulating to a speaker eral. In his office they are assembled, boys and girls in the detention home learned how stimulating to a speaker eral.

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205,000,000 have been sent in one day, of such data as has appeared has But that every voting Gradgrind in can, if you like, count it as one Dr. Augusta F. Bronner, assistant vestigations take in only the caught becaught becaught because of the surrage amendment is times when the prompting open to question. Surely the really baser nature would lead you become of the women organized down on the sofa immediate

squarely up to them. I let them arrange the work in their own departance the work in the interior the work in the lines of the largest number allowed to be eventually achieved. In addition to the Binet test she also used to be mentally defective, with the largest number of the largest